

*In 1787  
some people had a  
brave new idea.*



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*The first state ratified the Constitution  
and a whole new way of life was born.*



**OBVERSE**

The new George Washington design appears on all of the 50 State Quarters.



**DELAWARE**

"The First State"  
signed the Constitution  
on December 7, 1787.



**PENNSYLVANIA**

The "Keystone State"  
ratified the Constitution on  
December 12, 1787.



**NEW JERSEY**

"The Garden State" became  
a member of the Union on  
December 18, 1787.



**GEORGIA**

The "Empire State of the South"  
signed the Constitution on  
January 2, 1788.



**CONNECTICUT**

The "Constitution State"  
joined the Union on January 9, 1788.

*The nation's first new circulating quarters since 1976.*



# Presenting the first 50 State Quarters™ and 1999 United States Mint Proof Sets®

**A**nnouncing an historic introduction — 50 State Quarters™. This is the very first offering of Proof Sets that includes these new coins.

**1999 is just the beginning.** This year we are embarking on a historic program in which we will mint a new quarter to honor every state in the Union. Five new quarters will be introduced each year, for 10 years, concluding in the year 2008. Order now and you'll be on your way to collecting the entire set. You will actually receive some coins months before they're introduced into circulation.

## ***Yours exclusively from the United States Mint.***

Struck primarily for collectors, proof coins from the U.S. Mint set the international standard for numismatic excellence. Our proof coins offer brilliant artistry, fine craftsmanship and enduring quality.

The 1999 United States Mint Proof Sets® will include one quarter from each state honored this year, as well as the Lincoln Cent, Jefferson Nickel, Roosevelt Dime, and Kennedy Half-Dollar — nine coins in all. The 1999 50 State Quarters Proof Set™ will include the first five state quarters.



**1999-1999 United States Mint Proof Set®**

- Multiple-struck mirror finish
- Sturdy, transparent case
- Coins bear the San Francisco Mint's "S" mark



**1999-1999 50 State Quarters Proof Set™**



**Custom Collector Boxes**

Of course, both sets come with their own Certificate of Authenticity, backed by the United States Mint.

## ***The beauty of a Proof.***

Unlike ordinary coins in circulation, proof coins display brilliant, mirror-like background surfaces, with frosted, sculpted foregrounds — a special effect created by the exacting proofing process. Proof blanks are specially treated, polished, and cleaned to assure high-quality strikes. The blanks are then fed into presses fitted with specially polished dies and struck at least twice to assure sharp, high relief.

## ***Give a treasured gift.***

These Proof Sets not only make a worthy addition to your own collection, they also make an excellent gift. From the birth of a new baby, to graduations, to holidays, Proof Sets are gifts of historic beauty that are sure to be appreciated. Start a collection for your child or grandchild today.

## ***Preserve your collection in custom-made boxes.***

We are offering a new way to protect your valuable collection — custom collector boxes. The two different foil-embossed boxes are sized to fit the 9-coin or 5-coin Proof Sets perfectly.

**ORDER YOUR 1999 U.S. MINT PROOF SETS TODAY!**



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ID#	Product	Estimated Production	Limit per Household
P99	1999 United States Mint Proof Set®	2,000,000	2
Q99	1999 50 State Quarters Proof Set™	1,000,000	2
P83	1999 United States Mint Proof Set Collectors Box	To meet demand	N/A
P84	1999 50 State Quarters Proof Set Collectors Box	To meet demand	N/A

### Collector's Record

Customer Number

Date of Order

Method of Payment

Amount of Order \$

Order Description

### *The United States Mint Guarantee*

We guarantee you 100% satisfaction with your Proof Coin Sets! If you are not completely satisfied, simply return your order in its original condition within 30 days of shipment for a full refund, credit or exchange.

To inquire about your order, please contact: Customer Care Center,  
United States Mint, Lanham, MD 20706.  
Or call (202) 283-COIN (283-2646) 8:30 am to 5:30 pm, Eastern Time,  
Monday through Friday.



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Dear Collector:

I am pleased and excited to present an opportunity the United States Mint has never offered any collector; *the chance to own numismatic-quality mintings of circulating coins months before they enter into circulation.* Not just any coins. Proof coins from the most momentous coin program in three generations of Americans:

The 50 State Quarters™ Program

You've heard the facts of this extraordinary program—five new quarters each year for a decade, each American state honored by its own reverse, coins issued in the sequence states ratified the constitution or joined the union. You've seen this program's significance as the longest procession of design changes in the history of U.S. coinage. Now you can own the first five of the most-anticipated coins in numismatics in two remarkable, limited-edition products.

A remarkable century of American numismatics closes with the **1999 Proof Set** containing this year's cent, nickel, dime, and half-dollar plus each 50 State Quarters for 1999—Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, and Connecticut. *Nine coins* in all.

A decade of new coin designs will begin with the first **50 State Quarter Proof Set™** featuring each 1999 quarter struck to world class standards you—and we—demand. Their designs depict--

**Delaware:** Caesar Rodney who, despite illness, rode to break a tie among Delaware's delegates and vote for the Declaration of Independence.

**Pennsylvania:** The state motto and "Commonwealth," the statue atop the Pennsylvania Capitol.

**New Jersey:** George Washington crossing the Delaware River to defeat the British at Trenton.

**Georgia:** An outline of Georgia with a peach and border of oak sprigs, along side the state motto, "Wisdom, Justice, Moderation."

**Connecticut:** "The Charter Oak." Where patriots hid the colonial government charter from British authorities in 1687.

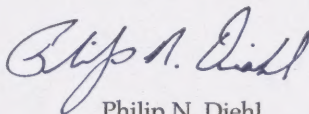


Estimated production on these vanguard products of the 50 State Quarters era are 2 million Proof Sets, and 1 million 50 State Quarters Proof Sets™. We're shipping all orders priority mail in customized security containers, adding a small additional charge to these items highly affordable prices. To give more collectors a chance to own these sets, orders are limited to two of each proof set per household.

We're specifying mail orders only for our 50 State Quarters proof products. Send us the enclosed order form and download another for friends or gift recipients from our website ([www.usmint.gov](http://www.usmint.gov)).

The opportunity of a collecting lifetime, the coins of a decade, prices that are a bargain, quantities that won't last. A veteran collector like you knows that means tremendous demand. So please ... send your personal order this moment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Philip N. Diehl". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Philip" being more prominent and the last name "Diehl" following in a similar style.

Philip N. Diehl  
Director  
United States Mint

P.S. Those who order earliest will get quicker delivery – and remember, last year's proof sets sold out! Using overnight mail to get your order in faster is a good idea too.

P.P.S. Look for 1999 Uncirculated Sets to become available in July. The Uncirculated Set will be the first of our annual sets to sell on-line, so check our website ([www.usmint.gov](http://www.usmint.gov)) regularly to avoid the delay of "snail mail".